

And nose is no longer a sign of age. He may have a girl who uses age.

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TWO CENTS

TAXPAYERS TRY FOR INJUNCTION

New Developments In Fight In Amwell Township, Where the Secretary of School Board Refuses to Sign a Resolution

OFFICIAL FILES ANSWER

Court Refuses To Deny Taxpayers Next Monday As the Time For Hearing In New Development In School Fight—Matter of Joint High School Is Issue

Two new developments took place yesterday in the fight which was started in Amwell township by the action of A. Birdell Clemens, secretary of the school board, in refusing to sign a resolution calling for the township to unite with Canton, North Franklin, and South Strabane townships in building a joint high school on the Trinity Hall grounds.

First of these was the presentation in court of a petition signed by dissatisfied taxpayers which asked that preliminary injunction be granted against the school board of the township to restrain it from uniting in the joint school proposition.

The second was the filing of an answer by Secretary Clemens to the mandamus proceedings brought against him demanding that he show cause why that he is secretary of the board did not sign the resolution approving the agreement for the school which had been approved by a majority of the board.

The court after perusing the petition and informally ruling that no allegations of fraud were set out in the petition, refused to grant the injunction asked for. The court simply made an order fixing next Monday, December 8 at 10 o'clock, as the time for a hearing.

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Supreme Court Affirms Washington Judgment Sloan vs. Miller Case

The state supreme court, sitting at Philadelphia, yesterday affirmed the lower court's judgment in the suit of Thomas P. Sloan of North CharleROI against Charles Miller of Beallsville, a Washington county suit that has been fought twice through the lower court. The suit involved over \$20,000, which the plaintiff alleged was due him as a commission as an agent for Miller in the sale of a coal tract owned by Miller near Beallsville.

In the first trial of the case the jury found for the plaintiff for \$20,055.75. A new trial being refused by the lower court, an appeal was taken by the defendant. The supreme court on the first appeal reversed the lower court and sent the case back for a new trial, the reversal being on the

not fully set out and that there should be some additional testimony as to the facts involved in this testimony in question. In the second trial of the case the verdict was for the plaintiff for \$21,953.05. The increase in verdict was due to increase in interest, the amount returned being the full amount of the claim with interest. The case was bitterly fought through the lower court at both trials. The coal was sold to the Hillman interests at about \$250 a acre.

NEW CASTLE TO BACK TEAM TO THE LIMIT

Bill Peat, writing in the 'Treat Em Rough' column of the Pittsburgh Post this morning says:

Visitors from New Castle last night told the world that next Saturday their high school football team will carry with it the famous Syracuse cup.

Bart Richards, well known New Castle scribe, who has followed the high school team all season, says:

"We have at last assembled a championship team, strong in every department. If the weather be fair I look for several thousand of my fellow citizens to accompany the boys to Pittsburgh for the CharleROI game and they will back their team to win with plenty of dough."

Up the Monongahela valley the fans feel the same way about CharleROI High school, and both teams will not lack for support.

The game is to be played in Carnegie Tech bowl Saturday afternoon, rain or shine.

BUSINESS MAN IS MURDERED AND ROBBED

Harrisburg, Dec. 2.—The body of Amos P. Kitchen, prominent merchant here, was found in Paxton Creek today with a gash over the right ear.

Kitchen last night attended a meeting of the Keystone Groceries Association, of which he was the treasurer. He had a large sum of money collected for holding the annual banquet, on his person when he left the meeting.

The money, his watch, and personal belongings were missing when the body was found. Police believe the man was robbed and killed. No trace of his assailant has been found.

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Common Pleas Opens For The Second Week

The second week of common pleas court was convened yesterday afternoon. Before Judge Erwin Cummins the suit of George Talnak, Sr., against Smith township, carried over from last week, was resumed. Before Judge James I. Brownson, in the suit of Michael Petroskey, against the Pittsburgh Railways company, a verdict was taken by agreement in favor of the plaintiff for \$4,000.

The suit was based on the death of the wife of the plaintiff, Anne Petroskey. She was killed by a car of the defendant company near the CharleROI-Monessen bridge on April 5, 1922. She had alighted from a car at that point and was waiting on another car when an interurban car, coming along at the time, jumped a switch. The car swung around and caught the woman and she was crushed to death.

In the suit of Neil Fleming Livingston, of Buffalo, N. Y., against the Pennsylvania Railroad company, a verdict was taken by agreement in favor of the plaintiff for \$300. The suit was based on the death of a minor child of the plaintiff, Harriet Livingston, killed at the New Florence station of the defendant company, on January 6, 1922. It appears it was necessary to cross the tracks at that point at that time to reach the station and ticket office. A train had passed and as the plaintiff and daughter started across another train came along. The child was struck and killed.

The next suit taken up for trial is that of T. J. and Robert Abercrombie, of Donora, against the borough of Donora, an appeal from the award of viewers, and a damage action involving the construction of a sanitary sewer and condemnation of certain property of the plaintiffs in order to construct this sewer.

ON TRIAL FOR STOCK FRAUD

Yesterday, Harry R. Mercer of the borough of California, charged with using the mails in a scheme to defraud in connection with the sale of stock in the Peerless Wheel corporation in Pittsburgh in 1916 and 1917, was placed on trial before Judge R. M. Gibson in the United States District court.

Mercer was indicted in 1917 with four officers of the company after he and E. F. Windt were alleged to have opened an office in Pittsburgh and to have sold a large quantity of stock.

Assistant United States Attorney Arnold said that the government would show that the sale of stock was fraudulent in that the corporation made no attempt to start a plant.

Attorney Charles B. Pritchard, Pittsburgh, and John McClintock, Philadelphia, are defending Mercer.

POLA'S PICTURE MAKES BIG HIT HERE

"Forbidden Paradise," a new Paramount picture starring Pola Negri and directed by Ernst Lubitsch, the man who made "Passion" and "The Marriage Circle," was shown for the first time in CharleROI last night at the Coyle Theatre. The story is an adaptation of the popular stage play, "The Czarina," by Lajos Eiro and Menyhery Lengyel. Agnes Christine Johnston and Hans Kraly wrote the screen play.

In her latest production Pola has a role that suits her admirably. "Forbidden Paradise" is a fine romantic love drama of an unnamed Balkan kingdom with the star, as the Czarina a queen who rules both the destinies and hearts of men, tempestuous, just whose every word is law and, yet, every inch a woman.

BANDITS MURDER SEVEN IN GERMANY

Siegen, Germany, Dec. 2.—Bandits murdered seven persons at a lonely spot near the city.

Eight alive, and wounded the owner of the villa, a quarry director named Angerstein, when he arrived on the scene of carnage. They fled into a nearby woods without the loot they had come to obtain and possess with bloodhounds are searching for them.

SPECIAL.
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MERCHANTS ARE FIXING WINDOWS

CharleROI merchants are doing the preliminary work incident to getting their windows in shape for the "dressing contest" tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock. There are a number of the merchants in the contest as indicated by the list appearing in the Mail of last night.

Yesterday's account inadvertently omitted the name of U. S. Orange, the confectioner, who is among the business men entering the contest.

MEN HURT IN AN ACCIDENT

Frank Hurrey, aged 48, and his son, Thomas Hurrey of Houston Ran, suffered injuries yesterday morning when a Dodge touring car driven by the father crashed into a fence along the Courtney-Houston highway and plunged down an embankment to the tracks of the Pennsylvania Railroad company.

The son suffered a fractured shoulder bone and two severe gashes across his scalp as the result of plunging through the windshield of the car. A felt hat and heavy overcoat probably saved him from fatal cuts. The father was hurt about the chest and body, but his injuries are not serious.

WOMAN JAUNTY FIGHTING FOR HER LIFE

New York, Dec. 2.—A little macrel wave gives a woman a lot of courage when she's fighting for her life.

Mrs. Anna Buzzi faced the ordeal of hearing the state's case against her for the murder of Fred Schneider in February, 1923, with just a touch of jauntness today.

Still plump and full in the face despite her 11 months in the death house at Sing Sing, the defendant wore her deep mourning for the death of her mother, with an air of dignity. And beneath her modish black hat, her hair, now its natural black, showed the graceful suggestion of the hair dresser's art.

In the modern little court room in the Bronx where the retrial was staged, the fury of a woman scorned was supposed as a phenomenon by the composure of a woman fighting for her life.

Where Henry Meyer, the youthful foreman, and his fellow jurors shifted uneasily in their new prominence; while spectators stirred restlessly in their uncomfortable seats, as attorneys fumed and fussed with papers and whispered nervously, Mrs. Buzzi faced the trial that means life or death with calm dignity.

The details of the finding of her dead lover's body slumped over the wheel of his automobile left her unmoved. It was an old story to her; now, the sudden death that struck Schneider that February evening, nearly two years ago.

COCK FIGHT PROMOTER COMES TO UNTIMELY END

Pittsburgh, December 2.—A story of how for three years a wife, son and daughter lived in constant fear of death was told today when Leonard Wooster, 19, was arraigned before Coroner McGregor on a charge of killing his father late yesterday. The elder Wooster made a living by making and selling moonshine liquor and promoting cock fights on their farm near Bridgeville, the son testified.

The father came home drunk last night and during an argument over the loss of some fighting roosters, which had escaped their pen, threatened to shoot his wife with a shotgun. The son seized the revolver from a bureau drawer and fired.

BAZAAR.

The Ladies Aid of Speers Methodist Episcopal Church will hold a bazaar December 4th and 5th. Chicken supper Friday, December 5th. Price 50 cents. 1502 1/2

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The Council Endorses The Seal Sale

The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America (Incorporated), whose address is 105 East Twenty-second street, New York, have endorsed the Christmas Seal sale as follows:

"The annual Christmas Seal sale has so entrenched itself in the affections of the churches that it will be helped along in every possible way by pastors and congregations throughout the country."

"The Federal Council of Churches is vitally interested in the success of the sale, and it urges the churches to give it special attention this year. We always purchase and use large supplies in the Federal Council central office, the Washington office and the Chicago office."

The statement is signed by Worth M. Tippy, Secretary of the Federal Council's Commission on the Church and Social Service.

CONGRESS PLANS TO PAY THE SOLDIER BONUS

Washington, Dec. 2.—Congress got down to business today and with its final stroke, planned to pay out \$186,000,000 to pay the soldier bonus, the recent tax reduction funds, the scrapping of the navy and promotion of irrigation and reclamation in the west.

Republican leaders agree the deficiency appropriation bill is the most pressing piece of legislation now before congress, and Senator Charles Curtis, new Republican leader, announced the bill would be passed before nightfall.

Acting with like speed, the House started its business of paying government expenses. The first of a dozen appropriation bills that must be passed—the interior department supply bill—is to be reported out of the appropriations committee and will be brought up for consideration tomorrow.

15 INJURED DURING STORM IN HIGH SEAS

New York, December 2.—Fifteen passengers of the United States liner, Leviathan were taken to a hospital suffering from injuries received during a two day storm when the vessel docked today.

Among the most severely injured was R. H. Putman of Chicago, who was returning from Europe with his wife. Putman sustained a deep gash on the head from broken glass when windows of the promenade deck were crashed by the sea.

LOCAL SCHOOL AT THE ANNUAL SCHOOL DINNER

St. Mary's Episcopal church school will be represented at the annual Church School dinner to be held tomorrow evening at 6:30 o'clock in the English room of the Fort Pitt Hotel. There are a number of members who have signified their intention of attending and it is hoped that the local school will have as good a representation as in former years. Rev. and Mrs. Gomer D. Griffiths who now reside in Pittsburgh, will be in attendance and add to the CharleROI representation. The special speaker for the occasion will be the Rt. Rev. Arthur Seldon Lloyd, D. D. Suffragan Bishop of New York.

GIRL DIES FOLLOWING DRINKING POISON

Oil City, Pa., December 2.—Florence Jolley, 18 of Ten Mile Bottom, drank poison following a quarrel with her sweetheart and died in a hospital here today.

RETURN TO GREENSBURG.
Mrs. J. H. Clements and son Calvert returned to their home in Greensburg this morning, having spent the Thanksgiving holidays with Mrs. Clements' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Calvert of Fallowfield avenue. They were accompanied by Mr. Clements who motored here last night.

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JOHNSON IS GIVEN THE MAXIMUM TERM

KORETZ DECIDES TO PLEAD GUILTY IN OIL SWINDLE

Chicago, December 2.—Broken in health and spirit Leo Koretz has decided to plead guilty and take his medicine for his \$2,000,000 oil swindle. State's Attorney Robert E. Crowe made known today Koretz will plead guilty to four indictments

game and carrying with them sentences of from one to 14 years, Crowe indicated.

By pleading guilty in the state courts, Koretz will escape—for the duration of his sentence—the federal government. A federal capias for the

of misuse of the mails to defraud, is held over the swindler's head. The capias will be held ready for service at the end of Koretz's term in jail.

If Koretz carries out his plan not to fight the case, the court can impose a sentence as low as four years or as high as 56 years. The prisoner is suffering from diabetes and he feels he will never get out of jail alive, assistants to Crowe declared.

Koretz was quoted as stating he had decided to plead guilty to impress upon his son, who is 15 and ill in a hospital, the futility of committing crime.

"I'll take my medicine and show him that one cannot commit crime and get away with it, Koretz was quoted as saying.

FOOTPADS ROB LIBRARY MAN

Melvin F. Post, who resides at CharleROI, was held up by two men on the Monongahela-Pittsburgh pike Sunday night. Post being relieved of \$31 in cash and a gold watch valued at \$50. Post could not give a good description of the footpads. They proved to be near crooks, for before leaving one of the men let the air out of a rear tire in order to delay their victim as much as possible.

Post, who was enroute to his home from Finleyville, stopped his car when highwaymen faligned him with a flashlight. Post was of the opinion that the footpads were in trouble. As he stopped, one of the twain jumped aboard the machine, and from the outside of the closed window directed an automatic revolver at his head. A fellow commanding him to lower the window, the bandit held the gun at Post's head and demanded his valuables and money.

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VIOLIN RECITAL AT THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

The students of Charles Weiss of Monongahela, who has a studio here, to the number of 20, gave a violin recital at the First Baptist church last night that was highly appreciated by a good-sized audience, the students evidencing they are fast gaining proficiency in the technique.

Oil On A Swamp Catches Fire; Oil Derrick Is Threatened

LOCAL YOUNG WOMAN DIES THIS MORNING

Mrs. Mary Louise Kearns Shearer, aged 24 years, wife of Charles Shearer of 1013 McKean avenue died this morning at 8 o'clock at her late home, following a lingering illness. She deceased was born in Clarksville, W. Va., and the body will be removed to that city for burial.

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Colored Man. Slayer of Woman At Donora Baseball Park On June 11, Last, Is Sentenced 10 to 20 Years In Penitentiary

SECOND DEGREE VERDICT

In Passing Sentence, Judge Cummins Told Defendant He Was Fortunate That Jury Did Not Return Verdict of Murder In First Degree

Ten to 20 years in the Western penitentiary was the sentence pronounced yesterday by Judge Erwin Cummins upon Herman Johnson, colored, convicted of murder in the second degree at the last term of criminal court, for the fatal shooting of his sweetheart, Lela Warfield, at the ball park at Donora on June 11, last. The girl died in the Memorial hospital in Monongahela, on July 4. Johnson was tried at the November term of court for murder in the first degree.

In passing sentence, Judge Cummins told the defendant that he was fortunate that the jury did not return a verdict of first degree murder. The court said that there was nothing in the evidence to show that this was not premeditated. He said further that the defendant had armed himself, and that this was a cold-blooded and unprovoked murder.

In speaking of the Ludlow act passed by the 1923 legislature, which provides that the minimum sentence must not exceed one-half of the maximum sentence provided by law for all crimes, the court said that heretofore the law vested in the court discretionary powers in setting the minimum sentence, and this could be regulated according to the circumstances of the crime. In a cold-blooded murder in which the jury brought in a second degree verdict, the court formerly had the power to make the sentence from 19 to 20 years; but in the case of a murder that had extenuating circumstances the minimum could be made much lower.

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Judge Cummins said that we have no right to assume that the governor will discharge Johnson at the end of the ten years, without first making an investigation. If such a thing occurs, the court said that it would be little short of a jail delivery.

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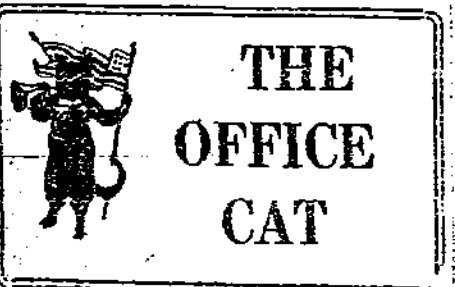
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AMERICA'S LEADERSHIP.
In a recent published article an American observer pictured the English people as envious of the riches and power of the United States and enbittered because, after being the wealthiest and most powerful people on earth for three centuries, they must now yield place in both particulars. That this is not a comprehensive view seems indicated by recent official utterances in Great Britain. In a lecture before a great London audience on November 11, Sir Austen Chamberlain, former Ambassador to the United States as one of the great stable empires of the world but declared that American thought was now profoundly influencing Great Britain and to even a greater extent the British empire "has yielded the leadership of the world in many respects to the compact empire of the United States." Such frankness shows that along with inevitable individual envy there is a public recognition of fact joined with a desire to learn of and co-operate with the great new power across the Atlantic in the interests of both and of the world at large. Speaking along similar lines and revealing a similar spirit, Premier Baldwin on the same occasion said "it is no use to pretend that America does not profoundly influence us," and that "we know we have yielded the position of leadership to America in connection with the work designed for the higher service of humanity." There is much basis for Premier Baldwin's further affirmation that the peace of the world is involved in "the proper solution of the question of Anglo-American relations."



THE OFFICE CAT
Women look about as comfortable when they smoke as a man does when he dresses a baby.
Many a groom puts off the wedding until his father can afford it.
A Marital Compromise.
Hobbs wanted a phonograph and his wife wanted a pianola.
How did they settle it?
It is evident that you are not married.
No "Lost and Found" column will ever recover lost time.
Yes, said the famous physician, that man has spigoric detritus, xponzulium, and I'm charging him \$2,000 to diagnose his case.
Beg your pardon, said the student, what did you say this man has?
He has \$2,000, replied the physician.
What's the matter, Henry? You don't seem to have your mind on the show.
No, it's on the \$18 I paid for the tickets.
A Paradox.
Speed is the thing that wins? You've got another guess.
Slow but sure is the only cure When a feller's in distress.
It's better by far to trail And hold 'er on the track, Than smash with a crash the inside rail.
And quit with a broken back.
The man who sets the pace, And travels too darn fast, In the well known human race, Is sure to come in last.
Here, Annie, here's something for your birthday, announced an old Scotchman, handing his servant a check for five dollars, but with the signature line blank. Keep it an' on your next birthday I'll sign it.
If the telephone was in existence during King Solomon's day, he'd surely have given up a few of the famous 700.
The surest way to get in wrong with a girl is to laugh when you recall her the time you thought of marry-

IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

Charleroi Team Is Down To Regular Practice Sessions In Preparation For Game At Tech Bowl Saturday

In spite of the biting winds that swept the Charleroi Ball park yesterday afternoon Coach Stepanian assisted by "Jimmy" Anderson conducted a snappy practice session for over an hour. Realizing that New Castle will enter the game heavy favorites due to their impressive victory over Harrisburg Tech, the Charleroi squad went about their work yesterday with a dash that was very conspicuous throughout the entire session. "Ziggy" Kahn, assistant coach at New Castle scouted Charleroi on Thanksgiving Day and will probably be able to give Coach Eridenbaugh a good line on Charleroi's style of play. On the other hand Charleroi coaches know little or nothing of New Castle's system. Coach Eridenbaugh is a wise coach, one who has an enviable reputation built up as coach of Geneva College. Since his coming New Castle has reached the top with rapid strides. He has lots of reserve material, and ideal facilities to work with. While others are working out the result of Saturday's game by comparative scores, Charleroi is working hard, taking nothing for granted and hoping for good weather conditions. Backers of the team, point out that the Red and Black have not been forced to show their full hand once this season. On Saturday they will meet their strongest test and all those planning to attend can count on a battle royal. Charles DeHainant who has been out of the game since the California

Dazzy Vance Is Voted Most Valuable National League Player

Arthur (Dazzy) Vance, Brooklyn's famous pitcher and the past season's most sensational moundsman, has officially been voted the most valuable player in the National League for 1924. As a result Vance, who led all rivals in number of victories and strikeouts for the year, will receive the \$1,000 cash prize, medal and diploma comprising the first award of this kind the National League has ever made. The money will be given to the pitcher next week at the annual league meeting, but the other marks of recognition will be presented with suitable ceremony some time next season. Vance's selection gives pitchers the highest individual laurels in the league, for Walter Johnson, veteran star of the world's champion Washington Senators, has been picked as the most valuable American League player. Vance, whose 23 victories were chiefly responsible for putting Brooklyn in a contending position in the pennant race and enabling the club to finish second to the New York Giants, was awarded the league's highest honor by a vote of a committee of eight baseball writers, announced today, which named the Robin ace in preference to Rogers Hornsby, great St. Louis second baseman who led his circuit in batting for the fifth successive year with the highest percentage in modern baseball history. Vance received 74 votes in the balloting out of a possible 80 and was the first choice of six critics, while Hornsby was second with 62 votes and picked for first place by the two remaining writers. An odd feature disclosed by the vote was that Hornsby, despite his record-breaking batting, was not placed at all on one of the ballots, each of which ranked 10 players in the order of the writer's judgment.

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DAVIS BAKING POWDER

PLAYER, IN ACTION, HAS ANKLE BROKEN
A Lewis Nicolini, well-known football player of 531 Chestnut street, Monessen, was injured last Saturday while playing for the Peerless A. C. team against the Jones Tigers at Page park. It was in the last two minutes of the struggle that Nicolini received a badly broken left ankle. He is now confined to his home.

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ZIVIC-GOLDMAN TO TRY AGAIN AT MOTOR SQUARE
Seldom has any fight in Pittsburgh excited comment as has the Jack Zivic-Nate Goldman bout, scheduled for next Monday night at Motor Square Garden. Already partisans are lining up using as their argument the last battle between these two, which ended in the third round after Zivic refused to continue after having been hit low several times. In the two rounds of that bout both Zivic and Goldman showed enough stuff to warrant the coming bout a classic both from the boxing and slugging standpoint. Rated as the hardest puncher in his class and a body punisher as George Chaney, Lew Tindler and other wellknown Philadelphians, Goldman failed to find the proper range here a few weeks ago, although he made an impression in the way he conducted himself. Zivic, who has been training every day since that bout is convinced that he is Goldman's master and claims that he was on the way to showing it in the second round when he forced the fighting and drove the Philadelphian all over the ring. Zivic maintains that the injuries received from the first three low blows and the fear that he might have been hit low again forced him to take the action he did in having their last bout stopped. "But," says Zivic, "if Goldman will keep them up and fight all the way, I'll prove that the state boxing commission was wrong when they selected him as the leading fighter of his weight in this district." The preliminary card, as arranged by Manager John J. Bell, shows the return of a great Pittsburgh favorite, Irish Chick Rodgers of Homewood, in the semi-final of eight rounds. Rodgers will meet Johnny Moore of Youngstown, who has not been seen here since his sensational showing last season. In the second bout Young Penno of McKees Rocks and Mike Pledorsik of Donora will come together, while Joe Hovak, the likely-looking ex-amateur southpaw, is paired with Dave Davies of Charleroi, a brother of the well-known Willie Davies.

THE BROWNSVILLE TEAM NOT YET DEFEATED

The Brownsville Independents have an undefeated record. They have beaten such teams as Duquesne, Bradley, South Fork and Uniontown, the Brownsville fans are looking towards some bunting along the lines of a championship. The team following closely is the Valley Strip aggregation. This club has only met defeat once this year and then by a small score. Steubenville stopped them, 10 to 0. But as far as the championship of the Monongahela Valley is concerned they are strongly protesting the defeat charged against them, for Steubenville is clear out of this section of the country. However, a lost game is considered lost, small or large. Another club in Pittsburgh has also been casting envious eyes on the flag for the title, the Lyceum, but on account of the few games played fans are thinking that it should not be rated as one of the contenders. However, the Lyceum eleven is considered to be on even terms with either the Independents or the Strip aggregation. Duquesne Apprentice team, last year's champions of Western Pennsylvania, have been eliminated in the running contest, having been defeated by Brownsville and Steubenville. It only remains for either the Brownsville Independents to play Valley Strip team or the Pittsburgh Lyceum club for valley honors. A meeting of the twain would be well worth witnessing. Following is the record of some of the local clubs. How they stand:

	W	L	T	Pct.
Brownsville	10	0	1	1000
Valley Strip	7	1	0	.875
Lyceum	3	1	1	.750
Hope Harvey	5	2	0	.714
South Fork	7	3	0	.700
Apprentice	6	3	0	.667
Irwin Scholastic	3	5	0	.625
Bradley Eagles	2	3	2	.400
Linwood	2	3	1	.400
Ormsby	0	2	1	.000
Valley All Stars	0	3	0	.000

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The Personal Side

Miss Bessie Casson of Donora is a caller in Charleroi today.

Mrs. Frank Mullen of Roscoe visited with friends here yesterday.

Miss Bessie Underwood of Roscoe was a caller in Charleroi yesterday.

Mrs. Flora Bates of Monessen was a business caller in Charleroi yesterday.

C. S. Collins of Pittsburgh is visiting with friends for several days in Charleroi.

Mrs. Carl Corwin of Crest avenue, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Andrew Craighead of Clairton, who has been visiting here for several days, were visitors in Pittsburgh yesterday.

Howard M. Marx and S. L. Woodward of this place, were business callers in Washington yesterday.

D. W. Copeland, Faculty Manager of the Charleroi High School, is a business caller in Pittsburgh today.

Miss Helen Maines returned to her home today in Overbrook after a short visit with relatives and friends here.

Mrs. Gus Anderson and daughter Augusta of McKean avenue visited with Miss Bee Wells of Monessen last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Collinet of 101 Prospect avenue, have moved into their recently constructed home located at 110 Prospect avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Thomas have returned to their home in Crescon, Pa., after an enjoyable Thanksgiving vacation spent at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Donaldson of McKean avenue and Mrs. Bessie Thomas of Monessen.

Mrs. Harold Emerick and daughters of Lynwood are spending the day visiting at the home of Mrs. Emerick's cousin, Mrs. Frank Donaldson of McKean avenue.

Karl Loughead of Prospect avenue has returned to resume his studies at the Pennsylvania State Forest School at Mont Alto, Pa., after spending the Thanksgiving holidays with his parents.

In Society's Realm

The Rodef Shalom congregation of Charleroi is holding a dance at the Elks club this evening. The Harmon Harmony boys are to be attraction. A large crowd is anticipated.

Tomorrow afternoon in the Church school room of St. Mary's Episcopal church the Ladies' Guild will hold their regular meeting. Mrs. Joseph H. Chilton will be the hostess. A good attendance is urged.

The members of the Ladies Aid society will meet in a called session this evening at the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church in order to complete arrangements for the Bazaar to be held the 11th, 12th and 13th of this month. All members are urged to bring their finished work and put it in the hands of the committee heads. The session is called for 7 o'clock.

The social committee of the Charleroi Circle No. 303, P. H. C., met at the home of Mrs. Mary Risher of 513 Lincoln avenue last evening to make arrangements for the Christmas banquet. At the conclusion of the business session, a social hour was spent and luncheon was served by the hostess assisted by Mr. Sara Houston. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. James Johns, Mrs. Sara Houston, Miss Bessie Weaver, Miss Margaret Ellison, Louis Protin and William Davis.

Mrs. John Irwin entertained the members of the Monday Evening 500 club at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Albert Ludwig of Ninth street last evening. Cards were the main diversion, the favors going to Mrs. Frank Hostnick and Mrs. John Irwin. Dancing and music also enlivened the occasion, the music being furnished by Mrs. Hostnick. Luncheon was served by the hostess. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Sam Wheeler of Prospect avenue, Monday, December 8.

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Fanny Rubenstein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. 3. Rubenstein of Pittsburgh, former well-known residents of this place, to Charles Kwalwasser, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Kwalwasser of Pittsburgh, which was solemnized Thursday, November 27 at 5:30 o'clock in the Lincoln club, with Rev. H. Halpern officiating. The bride wore a crystal beaded gown over satin. Her tulle veil which was held in place by a cap of rose point lace and orange blossoms, formed a full court train. She carried white roses and orchids showered with lilies of the valley. Following the ceremony, dinner was served, covers being laid for one hundred. A reception was held later in the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Kwalwasser left for a five weeks' trip to Florida and upon their return will reside in their newly furnished home in Squirrel Hill, Pittsburgh.

At the regular bi-monthly meeting of the Monday Musical club held last evening in the Community room of the Elks club, plans were discussed for the annual festivity, the Christmas party, to be held at the home of Mrs. May Barth Kinder of Washington avenue, December 22. This party is one of the leading social events of the year for the club members and is looked forward to with great anticipation, and interest. A splendid program is being arranged. The program given last night was very good and pleased the thirty members present. It was as follows: Voice, Mrs. Mary Nicholson; piano, Mrs. Bethel Jacobs; vocal duet, Mrs. Frank Smith and Mrs. Horace Showers; piano solo, Miss Della Jacobs; and vocal solo, Miss Adah McCague. Following the business meeting and program, dainty refreshments were served in the dining room. The hostesses were Emma Showers, Helen Robertson, Margaret Gray and Ella Campbell.

CONGRESS BUSY ON SECOND DAY OF SESSION

Washington, Dec. 2.—The first session of congress in its second day of the session today was to provide cash for the soldier bonus, the scrapping of naval ships under the disarmament treaty; the payment of the 25 percent tax reduction tax refund and the promotion of irrigation projects in the west. With its first swift stroke the senate adopted practically without objection the second deficiency bill providing for the appropriation of \$186,000,000 from the treasury for these projects.

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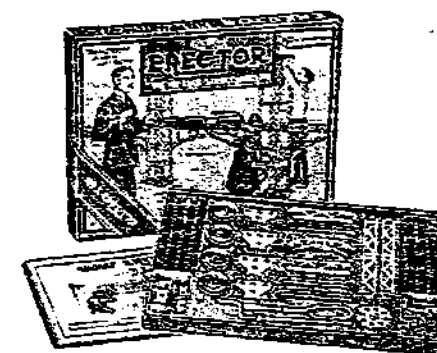
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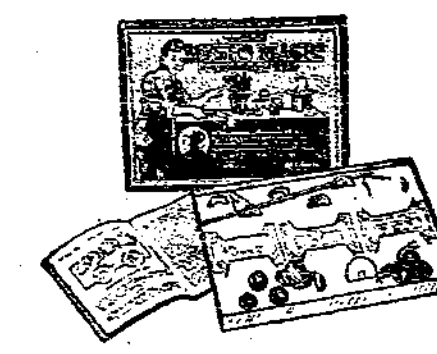
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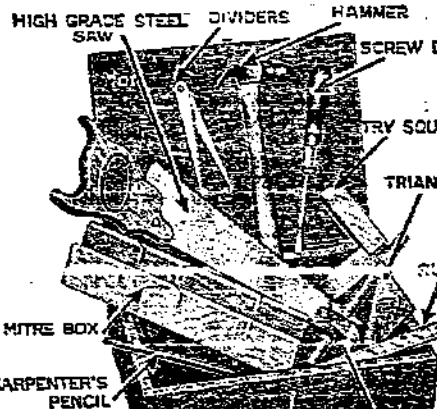
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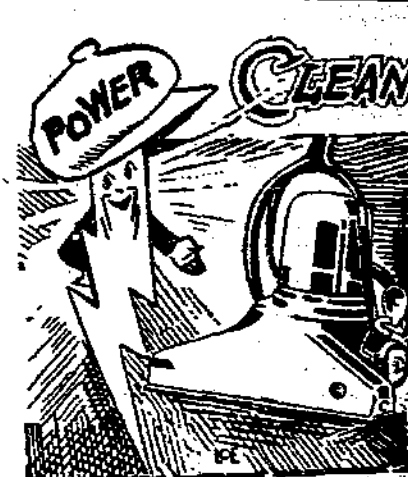
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Items From Allenport

Virginia Farren is among the sick. Miss Bessie Fratz is visiting in Uniontown.

Charles Flamagan was a Monessen caller Wednesday.

James Welch has recovered from an attack of tonsillitis.

Samuel McCrory has returned from a visit in Pittsburgh.

Ross Reeves has returned from a business trip to Chicago.

Mrs. Clint Harper has been visiting in Uniontown the past few days.

A. P. Downer of this place, employed in Pittsburgh, spent Sunday here.

Mrs. S. M. Hill has returned from a visit with her daughter in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Ellen Wilson and son, Robert, spent Thanksgiving with Ollie Wilson who is in the Mercy hospital, Pittsburgh.

Gwedolin Corwin has returned to her school after a vacation of a fortnight.

Miss Clara Ridgway of California is visiting at the home of Mrs. James Welsh.

Mrs. James Pascoe and children of Stockdale visited Mrs. Donald Black on Friday last.

Margurite, Ada, Neva and Junior, children of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rinfuss, are on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Anderson of this place employed on the Steamer Clyde, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Provins.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Godfrey and children, who have been visiting in Speers this past summer and fall, have returned for the winter.

Reports received from Mercy hospital, Pittsburgh, state that Ollie Wilson and Miss Etta McCrory, who were taken there last week, are getting along finely. Miss McCrory underwent an operation for appendicitis and Mr. Wilson an operation for a crushed foot.

pay the tax on an assessed valuation of \$24,500. Also it appears that the amounts received in sales of low priced properties is in numerous instances less than assessed valuation and in all cases the assessed valuation is proportionately nearer the prices realized than in the higher priced property. Thus the lower priced properties are now bearing an unfair burden of taxation.

By reason of the limited borrowing power of the school district, also the sudden increased expense in building operations, teachers' wages after the adoption of the architect's plans and specifications, the necessity was created of levying a current building tax. This tax places an unfair burden on the present tax-payer, for he is paying for building operations that rightly belong to the future. The present generation is now reducing the debts incurred on the previous buildings erected as well as the new building, and by paying a building tax now, are paying a double proportion. The new assessment remedies this difficulty and enables the board to complete the new building and put the debt where it belongs, to posterity, who will enjoy the structure with an expansion of wealth and population to meet their wants.

Charleroi's present valuation is \$4,700,000. This is supposed to be a 50% valuation, but actually it is not. Recent sales of real estate show that the true valuation would be over \$14,100,000, for the borough on the present valuation of \$4,700,000 it was necessary to raise for borough and school purposes in 1924, \$253,800. This required a millage of 54 mills on a true valuation or a 100% basis of \$14,100,000. Eighteen mills would have been all that would be required.

Let's see how this will work out on the individual assessment. For example, take a property on McKean Avenue on the 1924 assessment, on the 50% basis, we find that the property was valued at \$12,500, the taxes paid on this property in 1924 for school and borough purposes at 54 mills was \$675. This property sold recently for more than double the amount of the 1924 assessment. If this property were assessed on the 100% basis its valuation for taxation purposes would be \$25,000 and on this valuation at 18 mills would have paid in taxes \$450.

For a second example. Take a property on Fifth street. It was assessed in 1924 on the supposed 50% basis at \$10,000; the tax paid on this property in 1924 was at 54 mills, \$540. The owner of this property has refused an offer of \$50,000 and is asking more than that for the property. Now, if this property were assessed on a 100% basis or \$50,000 on an 18 mills tax rate the property would pay in taxes \$900. In these two examples, No. 1 is paying too much tax and No. 2 is not paying enough.

The man with a little home on an unimproved street is assessed at nearly the full value of the property or near what it would bring at a sale. While the better class of homes on the improved street are assessed at only one-third its value, with the result that the home on the unimproved street is carrying more than its share of the tax-burden, while the home on the improved street is not bearing its fair share of the same burden.

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ASSESS PROPERTY AT FULL VALUE; AND REDUCE MILLAGE

To the Editor of the Mail:

At the convention of Third Class Cities held recently at Sharon, Pa., twenty-six Pennsylvania cities were represented. In a discussion of the assessment of real estate, the consensus of opinion was that the only satisfactory method of assessment of real estate is to assess at full value and a reduction of millage, which in most states the law directs. Any other plan opens a wide door to inequality and favoritism. A close examination of the sales of the past year shows that Charleroi assessed valuations are less than one-third of sales valuation and startling inequalities in assessed values are revealed.

The best evidence of value of real estate is furnished by a number of sales; a particular sale is not conclusive. An examination of sales from recent sales shows two hundred and sixty-one sales at \$800,000 sales value against \$250,000 assessed value, but in the 261 sales seventy are for a consideration of \$1. These seventy estimated on the basis of all others would put the sales value considerably in excess of \$825,000; three times assessed value.

Another serious criticism against our obsolete unequal method, is the under assessment of vacant lots and badly improved properties. To allow such property to escape with a low valuation until the owners obtain a large price, and meantime maintain at the expense of improved property, streets and lights and other service that add value to lots puts an unfair burden upon those who build up a city.

Nor will this change materially affect the real money paid for taxes unless manifest errors appear in previous assessments. Thus a property assessed at \$10,000 at 32 (the school tax millage for last year) the tax would be \$320. At 12 mills the 100% cash value, this sum will more than

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